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**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL**

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,
provides for continued examination of an utility or
plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995

Application Number	09/319,384
Confirmation Number	2943
Filing Date	June 4, 1999
First Named Inventor	Takashi ECHIGO
Group Art Unit	1651
Examiner Name	Francisco Chandler Prats
Matter Number	Q54629
Title	COMPOSITION AND METHOD FOR TREATING A POROUS ARTICLE AND USE THEREOF

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. Previously submitted
 Please enter and consider the amendments/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
previously filed on _____
 Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 Other _____
- b. Enclosed
 Amendment/Reply
 Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 Information Disclosure Statements (IDS)
 Petition for Extension of Time
 Other _____

2. MISCELLANEOUS

- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a
period of _____ months
b. Other _____

3. FEES

A check for the RCE statutory fee of \$770.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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Takashi ECHIGO, et al.

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(c)

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Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in further response to the Office Action dated July 28, 2003, and the Advisory Action dated February 17, 2004.

A Notice of Appeal was filed January 28, 2004, making this submission due on May 28, 2004, with a Petition for Extension of Time for two months, which is being filed herewith.

A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is being filed concurrently.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: